





Project schedule and overview

	Fall 2003	Winter 2003/2004	Spring 2004	Summer 2004	Fall 2004	Winter 2004-2005	Spring 2005	Summer 2005	Fall 2005-Summer 2006	Fall 2006
Decisions/Actions		We Are Here → 					 			
Public Involvement	Open house/scoping meeting to introduce project, gather information and review preliminary roadway alternatives.		Review refined alternatives, the criteria used for evaluation and the Recommended Build Alternative.			Public review of and comment on Environmental Assessment. Hearing to give public officials and property owners an opportunity to express concerns on proposed SR 502 access limitations.				
Design	Develop a wide range of alternatives which meet the project's purpose and need.	Refine design of alternatives to minimize impacts to the environment. Carry favored design into further evaluation.				Prepare engineering drawings.		Prepare construction contract documents based on the preferred alternative.		Award construction contract.
Environmental		Evaluate current environmental conditions such as wetlands, soil conditions, air quality and vegetation and wildlife habitat to assist with the development of alternatives. Determine which alternatives affect the lesser number of properties. Environmental team advises the project team on a Recommended Build Alternative.		Environmental studies evaluate impacts of the Recommended Build Alternative and the No-Build Alternative. This information is documented in the Environmental Assessment.		WSDOT releases Environmental Assessment for public review and comment. These comments, along with the Environmental Assessment, are sent to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) for review.	FHWA review/ approval. Allows WSDOT to build project.		Obtain environmental permits prior to construction to ensure impacts to the environment are minimized.	

Decisions /Actions:  Identify Recommended Build Alternative.  WSDOT and FHWA decision on level of environmental impact associated with Recommended Build Alternative.  Finding and Order: The legal document establishing access limitations onto SR 502.  Construction begins, weather dependent.